Keep RAWRING!

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Rural Animal Welfare Resources Ltd

Hi Everyone, welcome to the first edition of our newsletter, "Keep RAWRing!" We have been very busy this summer, both with the animals & fundraising. RAWR is creating quite a buzz in West Cork, everywhere we go, people know about us! Brilliant! We have some great support, we couldn't do it without you, Thanks. From Didi, Jennifer and Susy.

Fundraising

We are busy on Bantry Market each week, meeting people, dealing with animal questions, and of course selling! We sell "Toys and Snacks for Dogs and Cats" For the humans we sell bric-a-brac and books. Jenny and Eric Clarkson manage our bric-a-brac stall.

They are very busy with all the donations that come in.....cleaning, sorting and pricing.

As well as the market we have been around the area with the stall, you may have seen us in Ballylickey, Glengarriff and Goleen.



We joined in the Glengarriff fun day, inviting Dad's to take part in the Nappy Challenge. We also had an animal treasure hunt and film quiz. Everyone had a lot of fun, spreading the RAWR message at the same time.

Local Shows

We went along to support Ahakista for their "Doggy Day Out". RAWR sponsored the category "Best Rescued Dog"



See us at The Bantry Show this Sunday!

Diary Dates

Friday Sept 2nd.....Bantry Collection Day. Can you come and shake a tin for a couple of hours? Sunday Sept 4th....Bantry Show We have a stall. We are sponsoring a class in the dog show. Come and say Hello.

Sept 6th to 13th...Bantry We have a shop selling our bric-abrac. We need help, can you come in for a few hours? Email susy@rawr.ie to help with any of these.

TNR Going Well

Our Trap Neuter Return Programme is becoming well known around West Cork. We are working with local people every week who care about the cats on their land. Once the cats are trapped we neuter them and return them, back to the same place. With no more breeding they become a stable colony, their basic welfare needs met by the people on whose land they live. These are not indoor cats, they live alongside humans, earning their keep as effective ratters.

We are working with colonies of cats in every type of setting.....from 2 in a garden shed, to 19 at the Bank House on Whiddy Island.

Long-term, the TNR strategy will reduce the number of feral cats. It will also improve the lives of both the existing cats, and the humans sharing the same area. It's very satisfying work.....can you get involved?

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Wildlife Too

Over the last month RAWR has dealt with several wildlife casualties.

Among these was a hedgehog, a bat, a seagull, a baby rabbit,



and a swan. Once wild animals are fully recovered they are released back into the wild.

Atlas—Tiny but Mighty!

Atlas arrived with Jenni at 8 weeks old, weighing Just 300gms, less than half what he should. He was so cold, really poorly, not expected to live through the night. Luckily no-one told Atlas



that, he has proved to be worthy of his name. Read his story on our website. www.rawr.ie RAWR is not a rescue charity. Our aim is to empower people to deal with the problems themselves, but it is inevitable that animals in need will find their way to us.

Jenni never gives up on anything, it's a lucky break for a creature coming into her care.

Help us to keep RAWRing!

Can you give us some time?

Over the last 18 months we have built a solid base. We are now a registered Charity with a good reputation for getting the job done!

To build on that we need more volunteers.

**We have work for you if your interest is in dealing with the feral cats, or fostering and rehoming kittens.

**Maybe you don't want to deal with the "fluffies" but would like to help on the fundraising side. We need more people on the market, at Sales, also sorting out the bric-a-brac.

**Then there is the paperwork, perhaps you could be our Treasurer, answer the phone, keep the database up to date, or help with our PR.

**In 2012 we will launch an education programme....could you help with that?

Along the way we have a lot of fun together. Want to come and join us? Contact details are on the front page. We look forward to hearing from you.

Meet Mascot Rawry

Yes, we know a tiger is not typical of West Cork! Rawry was donated to us, we fell in love with him. Come to meet him at any of our events.